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Public Workshop

Public Comments Sought for Future Of Big Basin Redwoods State Park

California State Parks is seeking public comments at a workshop August 27 on several "planning possibilities" that have been prepared for the future of the Big Basin Redwoods State Park, which has celebrated its 100th anniversary.

The "hands-on" workshop will be held from 6:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the Boulder Creek Elementary School, 400 W. Lomond Street, Boulder Creek, CA.

State Park officials have identified about 50 possibilities for mitigating the park's major issues and offering new opportunities to enjoy the park.

"Some of these planning possibilities weigh more heavily toward natural or cultural resource protection, while others emphasize recreational improvements," according to Project Manager Robin Ettinger. "But I must emphasize, these ideas are planning possibilities, and not actual proposals. That's why we want to hear from the public on these issues, and get your ideas."

A review and analysis of the information that has been gathered on cultural, natural and recreational resources will be presented. This will give workshop participants an opportunity to evaluate the list of possibilities and determine what kind of place the park should be. Following that, participants will be organized into working groups representing diverse interests to discuss the possibilities. After the evaluation and discussion session, each group will make a presentation on the planning possibilities they support.

Background information on the planning process can be reviewed on the web at:
www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=21486

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Persons interested in sending written comments may send them to the following:

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